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Report of the Secretary-General

Corrigendum

Paragraph 20

At the end of the paragraph, above **Recommendation**, *insert*

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) established an interdepartmental Committee on Women in Development which provides policy guidance and facilitates coordination and decision-making on substantive and operational matters to implement its Plan of Action (1996-2001).

Paragraph 23

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FAO,

Paragraph 30

At the end of the paragraph, *insert*

The FAO interdepartmental Committee on Women in Development is supported by a network of gender focal points and core technical review groups in each technical division

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and by the Women and Population Division at Headquarters. A gender specialist is assigned to each of the five regional offices of FAO.

Paragraph 68

At the end of the paragraph, above Recommendations, ***insert***

The FAO Secretariat reports every two years to the FAO Conference on the implementation of the Women in Development Plan of Action and gender mainstreaming within the Organization and in member countries.

Paragraph 70

Before existing paragraph 70, insert a new paragraph, ***reading***

70. FAO continued to strengthen the commitment of its staff to mainstream issues of gender, a cross-sectoral issue, within their mandate and technical areas of expertise. A major initiative in this direction was the implementation of an innovative consultative and participatory process, involving 24 Divisions, to develop the Women in Development/Gender Programmes of Action for three biennia, 1996-2001. The consolidated divisional inputs, which took into consideration other pertinent issues, such as the Platform for Action of the Fourth World Conference on Women and its follow-up, resulted in the aforementioned Plan of Action.

and renumber the remaining paragraphs accordingly.

Paragraph 77

Before paragraph 77 (as renumbered), insert a new paragraph, ***reading***

77. A socio-economic and gender analysis programme has been developed by FAO for use in capacity-building for governmental and non-governmental personnel, consultants and experts in member countries. It incorporates an approach to sustainable development work, based on an analysis of the socio-economic patterns that affect development projects and programmes in practice and emphasize the necessity for the participatory identification of women's and men's priorities for development. The aim is to strengthen analytical and managerial methodologies and tools at the macro, intermediate and field levels. These materials have been pilot-tested, with local adaptations, in countries on four continents, and further adaptations and tools are being developed, in English, French, Spanish and Portuguese.

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